

IN THE **UNITED STATES** PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Schlecht

CASE:

57751.010009

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

STATEMENT

SERIAL NO.: 09/923,635

FILED ON:

August 7, 2001

FOR:

DEVICE FOR THE FIXATION OF

DIMENSIONALLY STABLE SUITCASES

ATTENTION OF:

EXAMINER:

TECHNOLOGY CENTER RISTA

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 502428.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §1.98, Applicant respectfully submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and 1.97(e), and informs the United States Patent and Trademark Office of information which may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The following United States patent, which comprise the aforementioned information, is as follows:

PATENT NO.

ISSUE DATE

PATENTEE

4,325,531

April 20, 1982

Omholt

The following foreign patents, which comprise in part the aforementioned information, are as follows:

| GREENDERG IKAUKI |
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| CHICAGO IP OFFICE |
| 77 WEST WACKER DRIVE |
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| CHICAGO, IL 60601 |

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| COUNTRY/REF. NO. | PUB. DATE | BASIS FOR RELEVANCE |
|-------------------------|-------------------|--|
| DE/94 02 459.6 | May 19, 1994 | A box which is mountable on a carrier for a bicycle or motorcycle. |
| EP/0 128 810 A1 | December 19, 1984 | English abstract provided. |
| FR/2 592 285 A1 | July 3, 1987 | English abstract provided. |
| FR/2 762 815 A 1 | November 6, 1998 | English abstract provided. |
| FR/2 781 731 A 1 | February 4, 2000 | English abstract provided. |

Copies of the foregoing references are attached for consideration by the Examiner.

Applicant also submits herewith the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) of \$180.00 for consideration of the information contained herein.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 476-5019 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 🏖 _, 2003

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 2003.

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